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ACE ANIMALS

HYENAS

Come to me, jungle friends!" This month we have some hysterical info about hyenas. As well as making fascinating reading material, there are clues that'll help you solve this month's African adventure story. Pay attention and get spotting!

Hyenas are found in Africa and southwest Asia in semi-desert to the moist savanna. Although the appearance of the hyena is extremely dog-like in body form, surprisingly, they are related to cats and the civet family; being more heavily built in the fore rather than hindquarters with a massive head. There are three species of hyena, the largest being the spotted variety.

Mmm...That's bone crunchingly good!



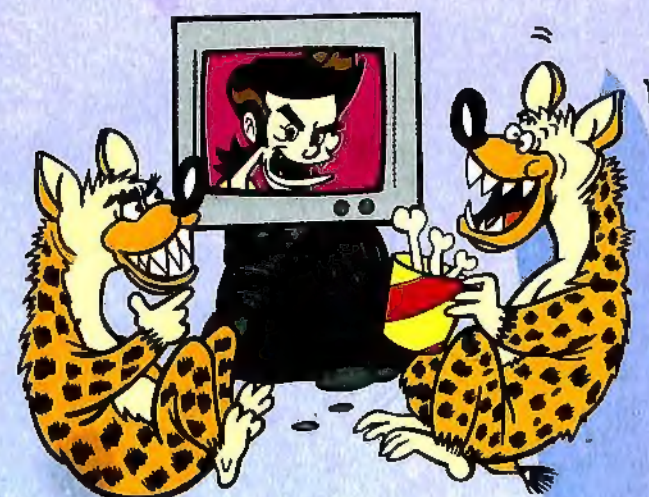
Hyenas are master scavengers. They are capable of eating items other animals leave behind and their 'cast iron' digestive system can break down bones. Undigested material like hair and hooves are regurgitated in the form of pellets!

The jaws of the spotted hyena are the most powerful of any mammal. They feed on carrion kills of carnivores such as lions, and will drive smaller predators like cheetahs, away from their kills. Predators in their own right, spotted hyenas hunt in packs and can bring down animals such as antelope and zebras. Food is also stored in caches in muddy pools, in a similar way humans tend to store food in the fridge!



Try getting out of that one!

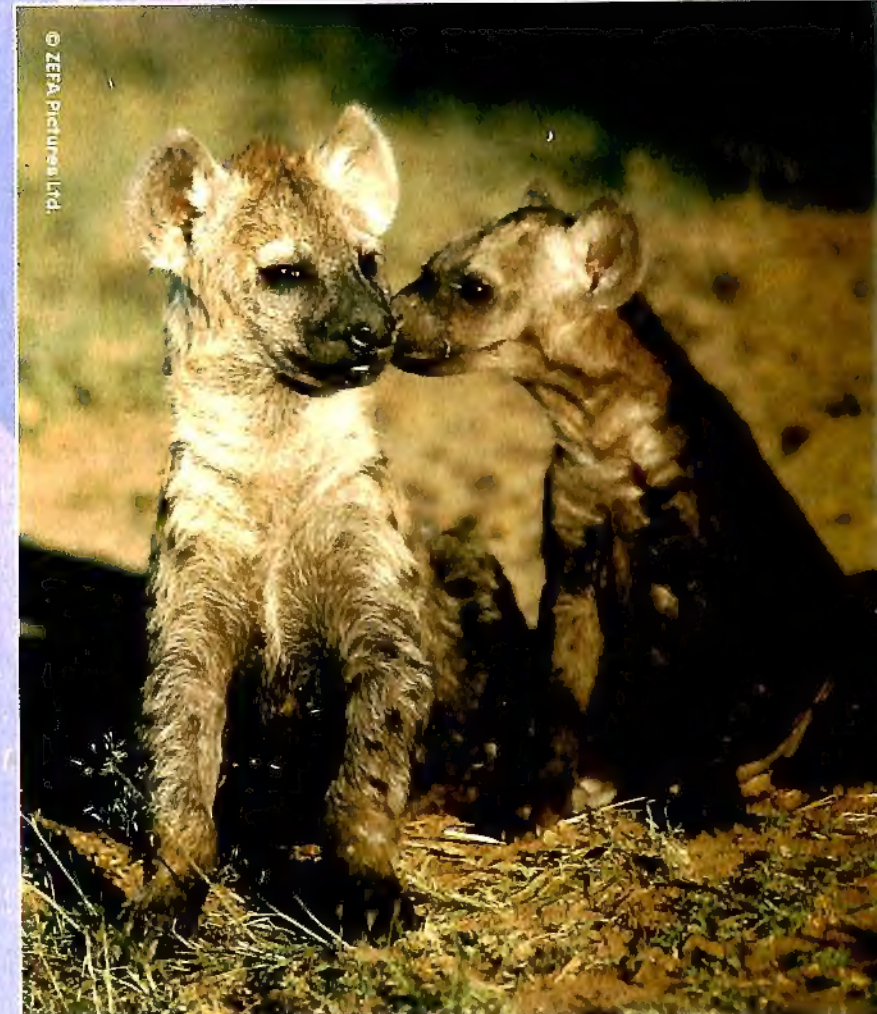
Hyenas tend to be most active at night. Spotted hyenas are particularly noisy animals, making a range of howling screams and eerie laughter sounds. (Just the thing to wake the neighbours, eh? - Ace.)



Hahaha! What a weird looking dude!

Shelter for these mammals takes the form of holes in the ground or amongst rocks and dense vegetation.

The success in numbers of spotted hyenas compared to their relatives, the brown and striped hyenas, is largely due to co-operative hunting in packs, sharing of food, plus the efficient defence of their territory.



Woodstock's Fact-O-File

The Aardwolf of Southern Africa is a highly adapted off-shoot of the hyena family. More lightly built, with a narrow, pointed head, large ears and tiny teeth, it feeds mostly on termites.

Brown and striped hyenas are partial to eating insects, small vertebrates, eggs, fruits and vegetables.

The spotted hyena is strong enough to carry the body of a gnu.

Although Brown hyenas are a protected species, they are considered pests because they attack livestock.

Traditionally, fighting African tribes would leave their dead for the hyenas to eat!



ZAMB-EASY PEASY?

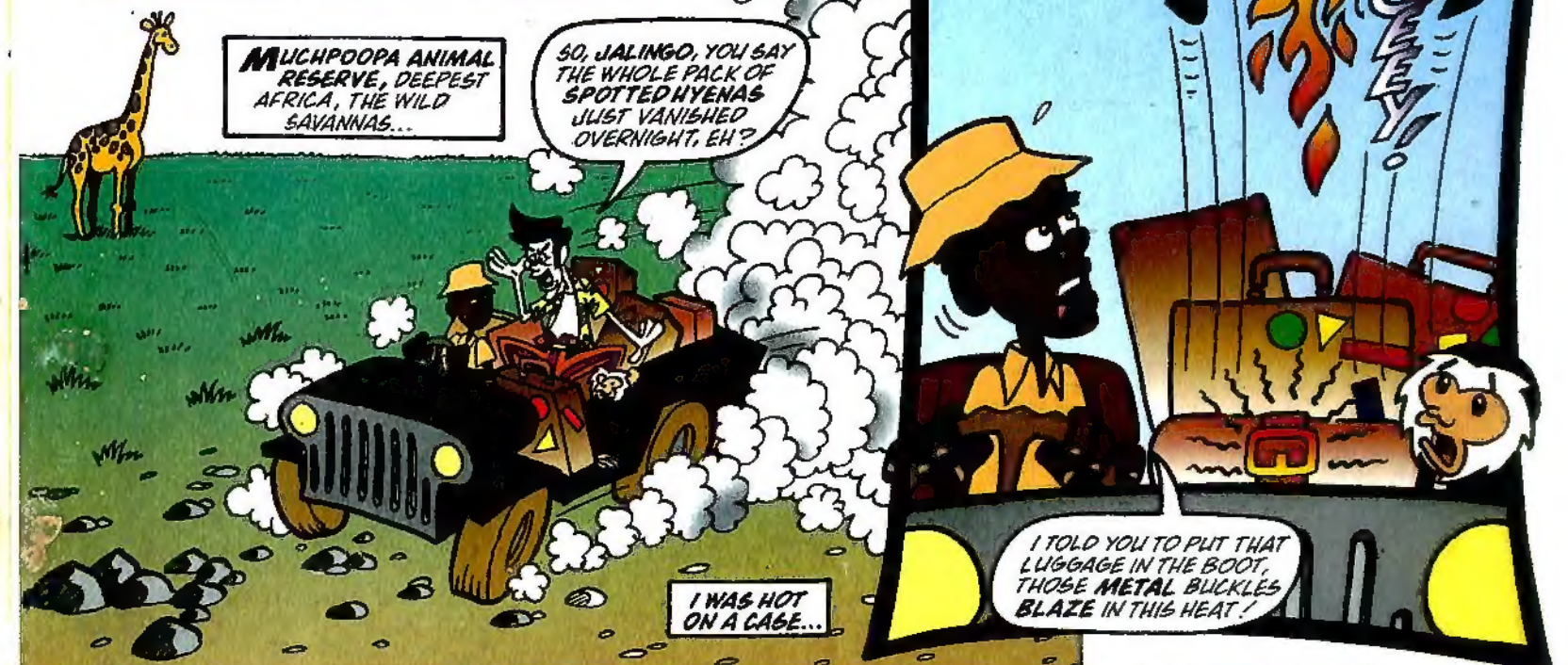
Dang, it's a jungle out there and I'm stuck in the thick of it! To reach my African assignment, I gotta cross the dangerous crocodile infested river below - with all my body parts intact, alrighty? Swimming is definitely a no-no, and all I can see on the far bank is a wildebeest and a metal oil drum... Can you figure out how I'm gonna to do it?

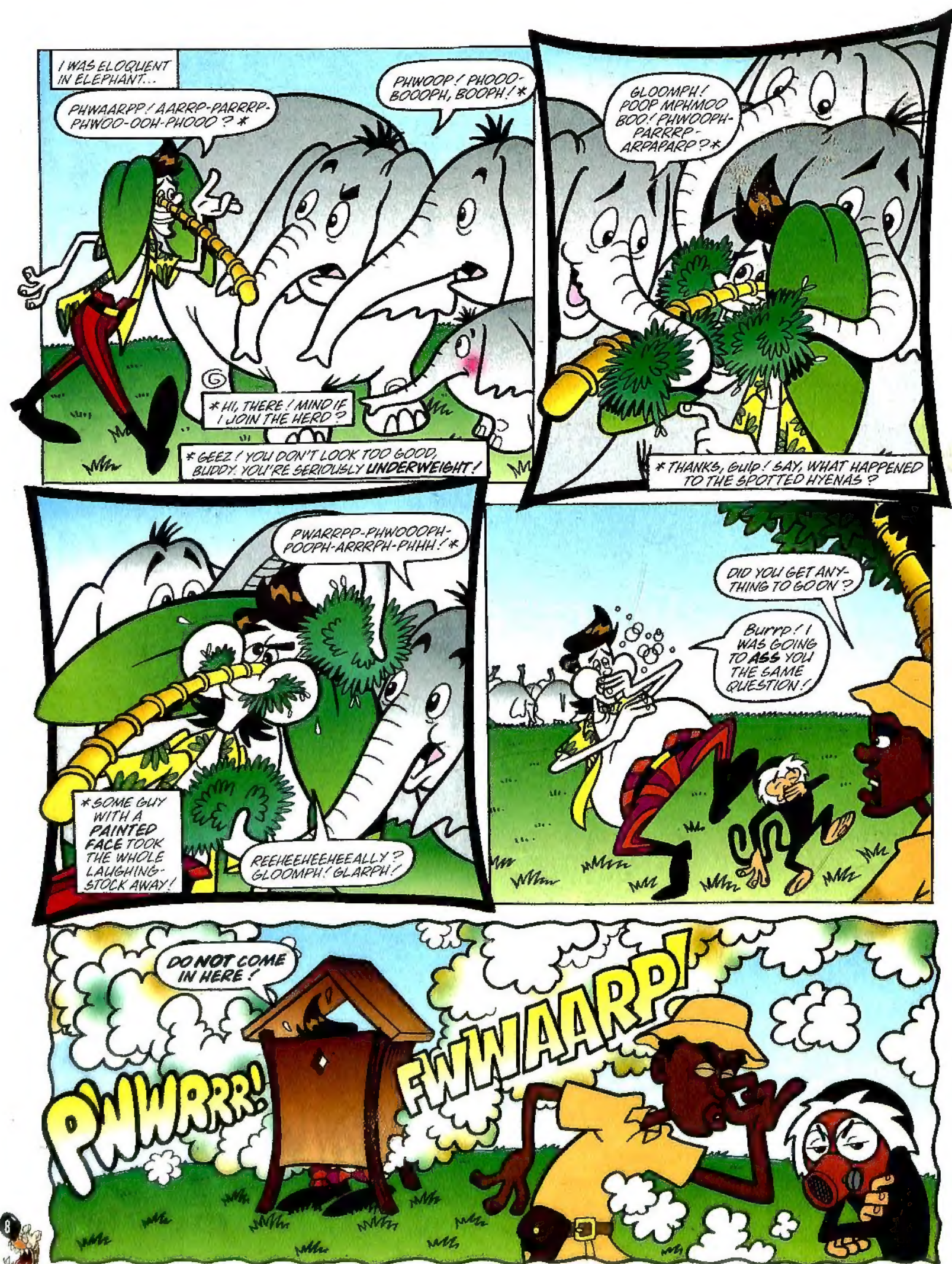


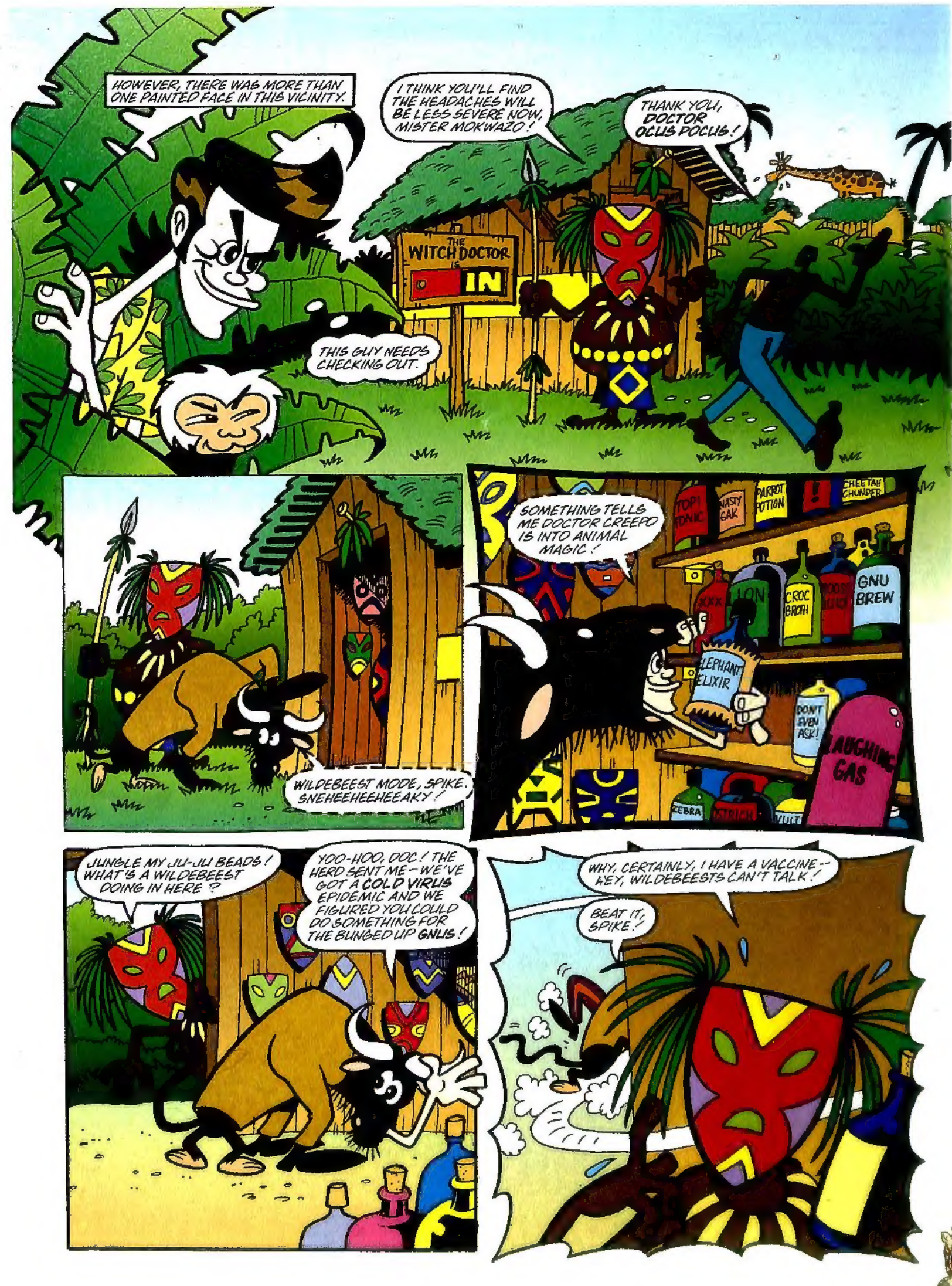
It takes some creative thinking to work this one out, my little Pet Dicks. But do not fear, to save you the agony of tearing your hair out with this brain teaser, turn to page 32 for the solution... Loo-000-ooo-ooo-sers!

ACE VENTURA IN...

Carriion Up The Savanna!







WE INTERRUPT THIS COMIC FOR A GNUS FLASH...

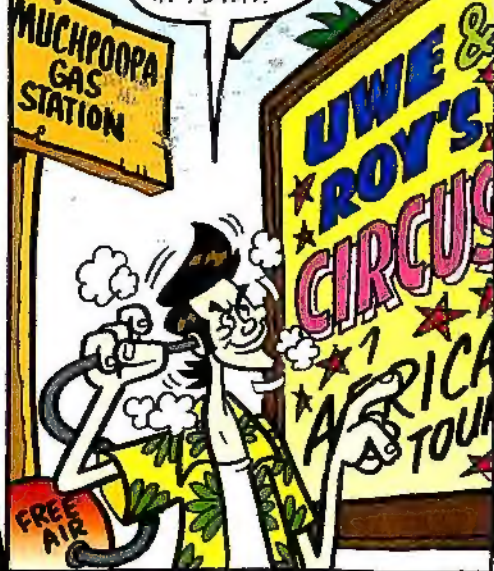
THE WITCHDOC'S A LOO-000-000-000-SER!



NYLIK, NYLIK, THINGS COULD'VE GOTTEN REEHEEHEEHEALLY HAIRY BACK THERE, BUT WE REMAINED COOL-HEADED AND TOHOHOTOALLY UNSCATHED, SPIKEY BOY!



AHA! SO THE CIRCUS IS IN TOWN.

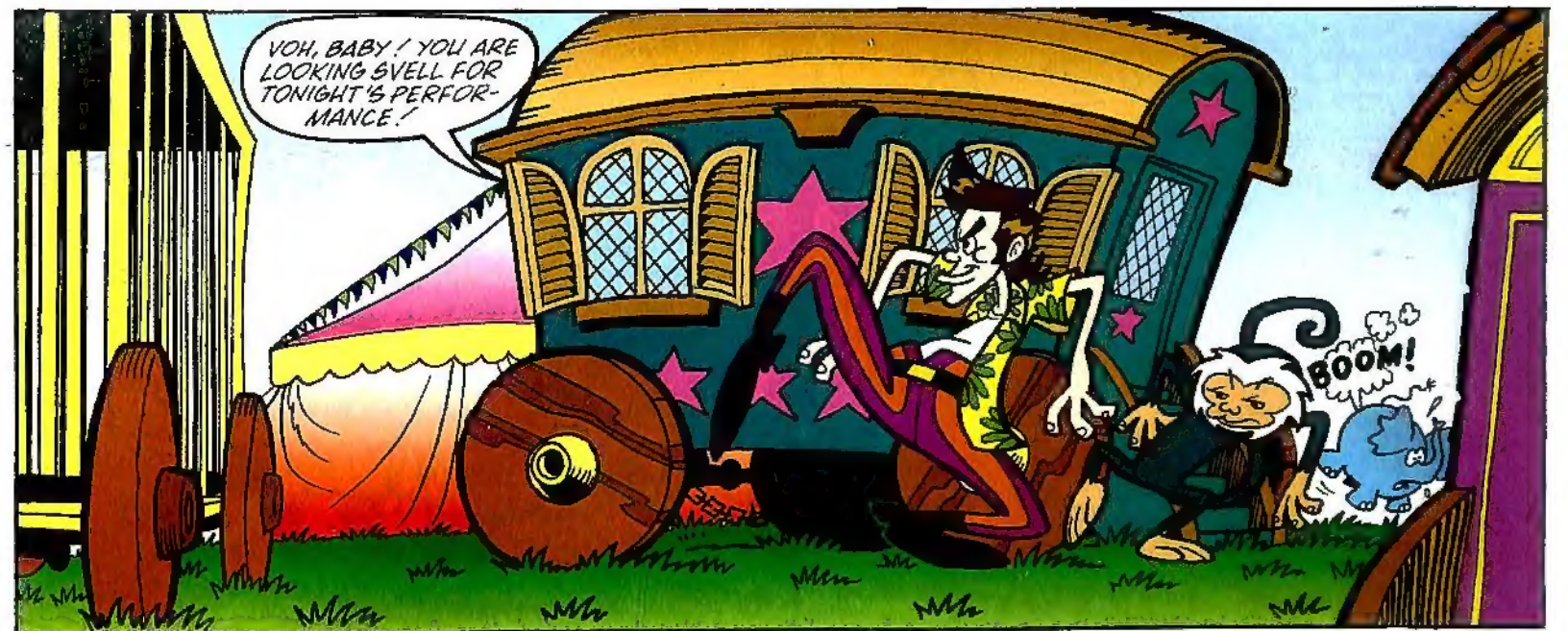


UWE AND ROY HAD CRIMINAL RECORDS LONGER THAN A GIRAFFE'S NECK...

I THINK WE SHOULD PAY OUR BIG TOP FRIENDS A VISIT!



VOH, BABY! YOU ARE LOOKING SVELL FOR TONIGHT'S PERFORMANCE!



WE ARE GOING TO SOCK IT TO 'EM, TIGER!



DANG! ARE THOSE HYENA COATS?

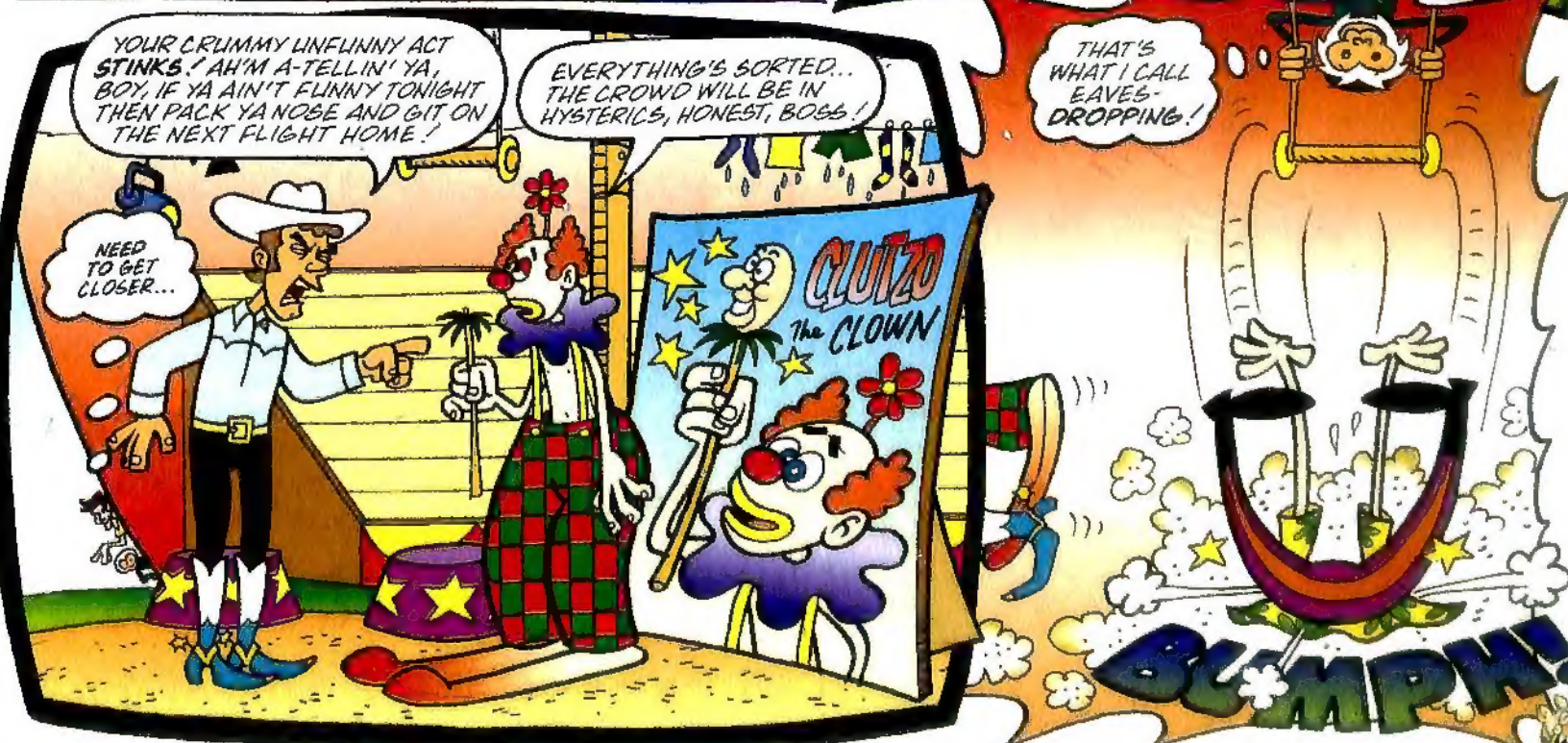


IF YA DONT BLICK UP YA IDEAS, CLUTZO, YA GONNA BE OFF THE TOUR!

SOMEONE'S GETTING THEIR FUR RUFFLED...

YOUR CRUMMY LINFUNNY ACT STINKS! AH'M A-TELLIN' YA, BOY, IF YA AIN'T FUNNY TONIGHT THEN PACK YA NOSE AND GIT ON THE NEXT FLIGHT HOME!

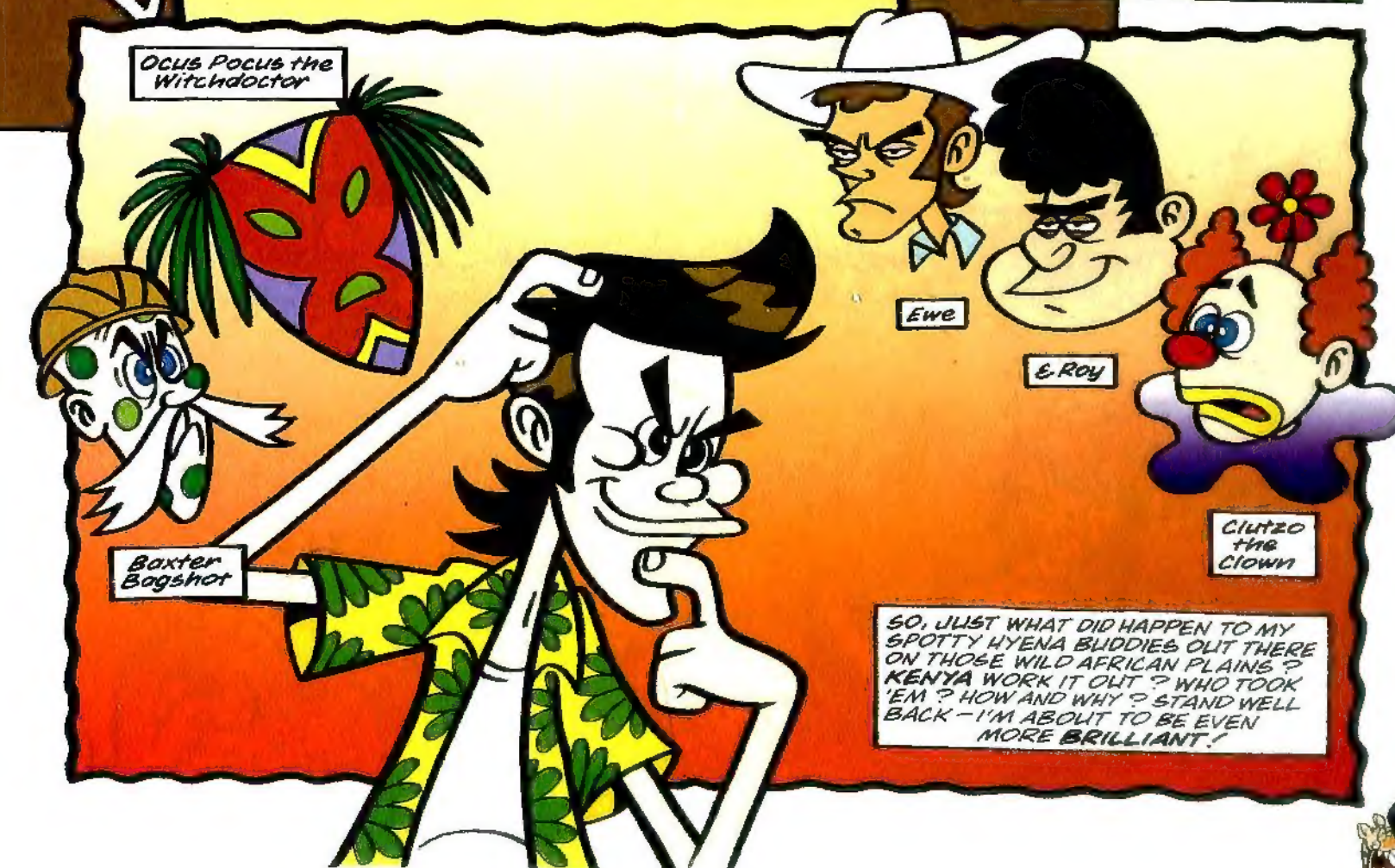
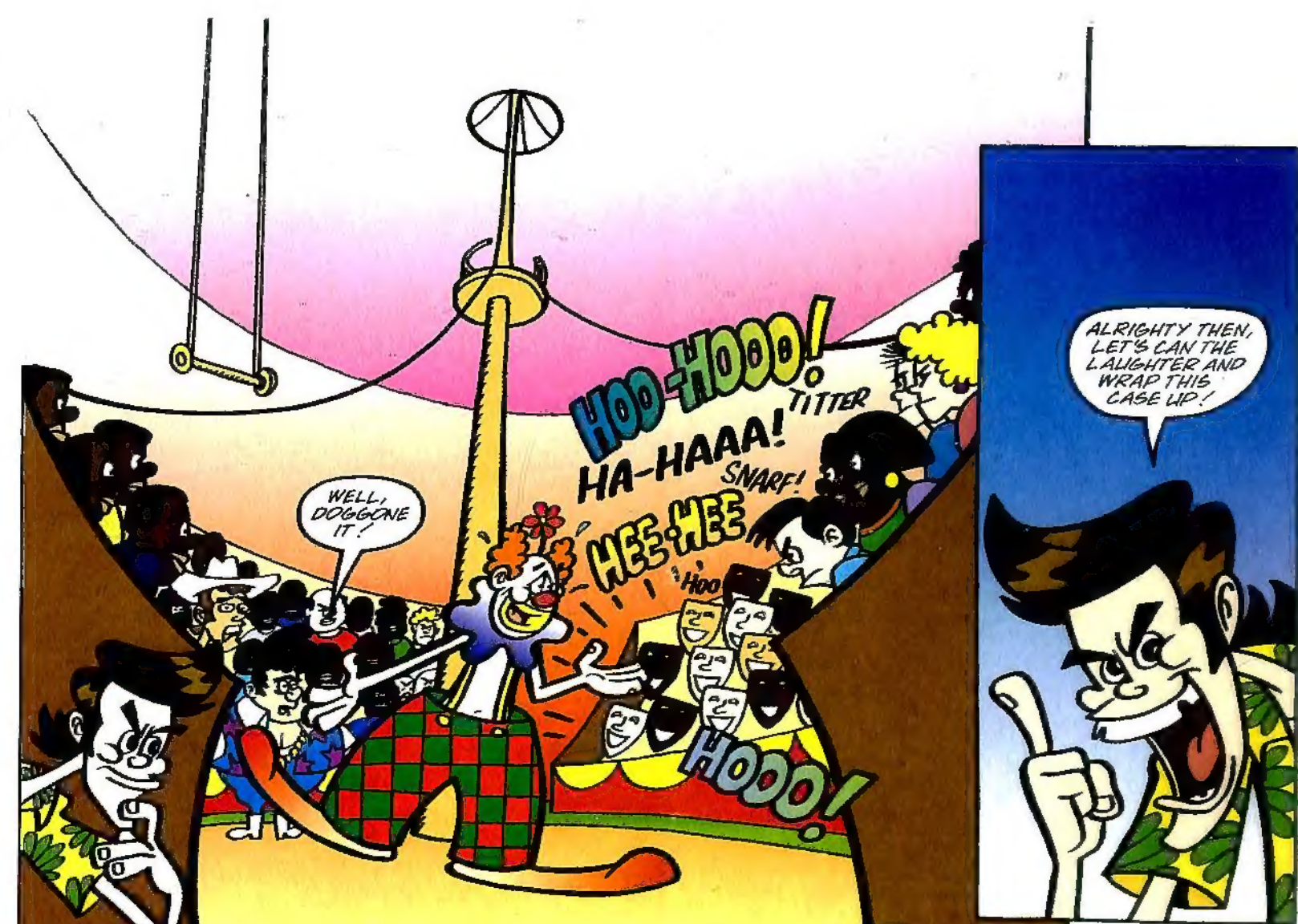
EVERYTHING'S SORTED... THE CROWD WILL BE IN HYSTERICIS, HONEST, BOSS!



NEED TO GET CLOSER...

THAT'S WHAT I CALL EAVES-DROPPING!

CLUMPH!





MISTER ST-0Y-AZU

**SECRET
FILE!**
(Ace Ventura's
landlord from hell!)

CHARACTERISTICS:

Mean, tight-fisted, makes Ebenezer Scrooge look like a saint!

PRIME DIRECTIVE:

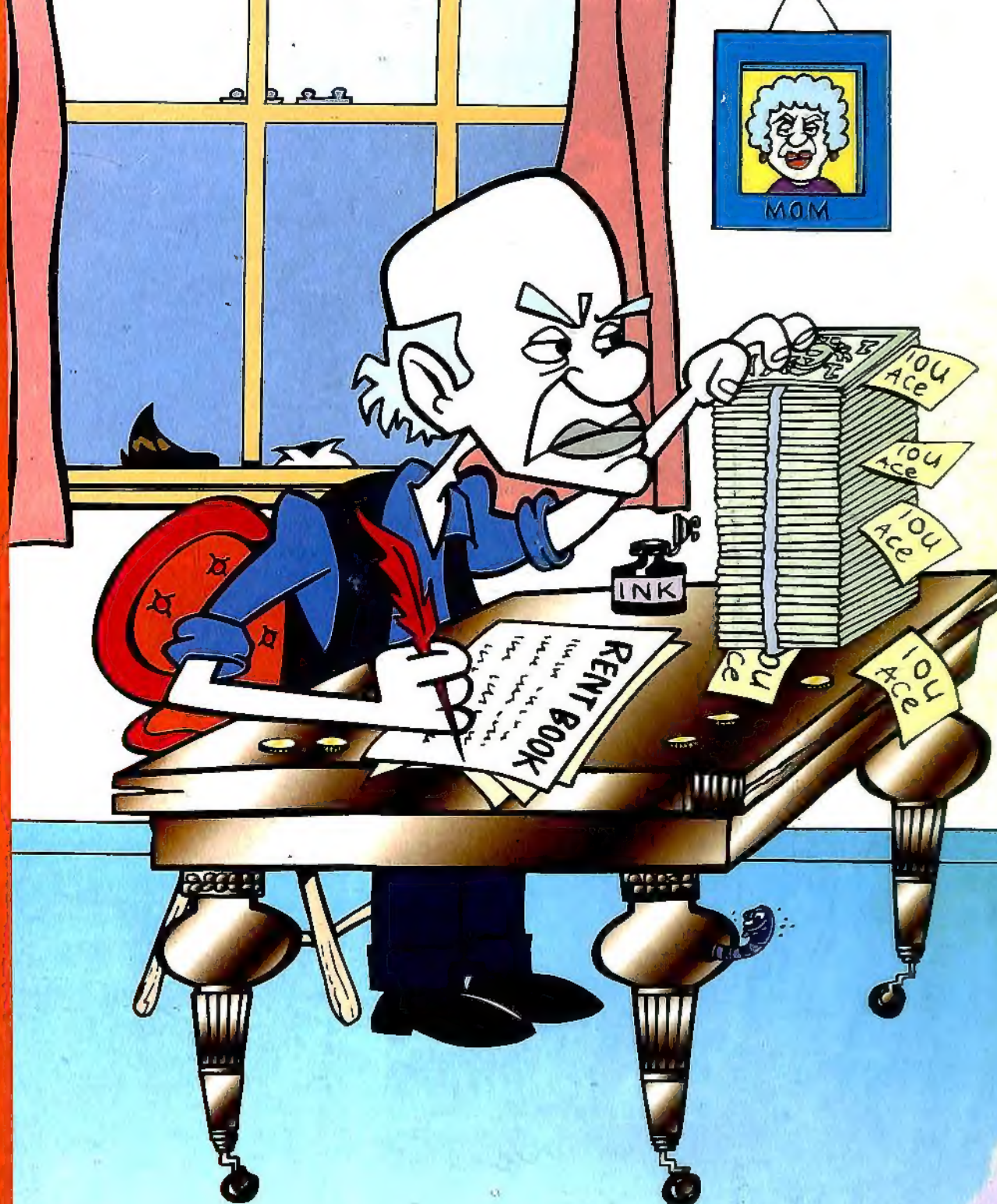
To uphold a 'Prompt Rent Paying' and 'No Pets Policy' in his apartment block. And be merciless with it!

HATES:

Animals, lagging rent payers, rule breakers and the Ace-man.

GREATEST ACHIEVEMENT:

inventor of the Evicts Sinex - a small plastic tube which when inserted up the nose of non-rent paying tenants, unblocks the nasal passages causing them to become flooded out of the apartment!



PASTIMES:

Rent collecting, dough counting, credit contro

SPORTS:

Holds the world record for serving the fas
eviction notice!

FAVE FOODS:

Rhubarb grumble, grouch potatoes, che
and chips!

FAVE SONGS:

"i'm a bailiffer!" and "Money, money, m

LIFE'S AMBITION:

To take control of the Earth's oxygen s
and charge everybody rent for breathi

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ARTY FACTS
& FIGURES

SKETCH ALONG WITH SPIKE!

Well, looky here... My little boss monkey man has been gripped by the doodle hug! Just follow each of the sketches step-by-step and you'll be an ace artist in no time.

FACE FACTS

1

Start with a circle followed by a dotted line running through...

2

Add the eyes, nose and mouth shapes either side of the dotted line...

3

Section off the eye and cheek area...

4

Add an extra outline around the head...

5

Lastly, add the spiky hair bits and eyebrows.

BODY WORK

1

2

Draw the arms, legs, hands and feet...

3

Add finger and toe details, and finally a long spindly tail.

Try monkeying around and draw Spike in different disguises. Got any ideas? You know where to send them to...



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To get your hands on a zooball, write your name on a postcard with your age and address details to:

ACE MAG/ZOOBALLS COMP
P.O. Box 265
Beaconsfield
Bucks
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The closing date for all entries is Wednesday, 26 March, 1997.

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SNIFFS...

MINAH TALE

AND THE

QUIFF!

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Script: Mark Bennington
Art: Nigel Parkinson
Lettering: Gordon Robson

A DOWNTOWN APARTMENT BLOCK, MIAMI, FLORIDA..

COME ON, ACE, OPEN UP!

YIPES! WE'VE GOT A VISITOR, SPIKE... QUICK, GET THE POLAR BEAR IN THE FRIDGE!

WHA-?

MOOO!
OINK!
SQUEAK!
ROAR!
SQUINK
CHIRRU!
HONK!

RAP!
RAP!

PHEE-EEEW! RELAX, GUYS, IT'S EMILIO! FOR A MOMENT WE THOUGHT IT WAS ANOTHER SHICKY LANDLORD RAID, HEH-HEH-HEH!

ER... I'M AFRAID THIS ISN'T A SOCIAL CALL, ACE!

THE WORD ON THE STREET IS... THERE'S A HITMAN OUT TO GET YOU!

GEE, THAT'S SEVEN WORDS!

TWACK!

IT'S QUIFF-CRUSHING TIME! SWEET DREAMS, VENTURA!

GRRRRH!

YIPE! Y-YOU'RE N-NOT V-VENTURAAAAA!

SERIOUSLY, SOME EVIL PUNK INTENDS TO WIPE YOU OFF THE FACE OF THIS EARTH! POLICE PROTECTION CAN BE ARRANGED FOR YOU, ACE!

ACE VENTURA NEEDS NO BABY-SITTER! WHY, THESE EAGLE-LIKE PEEPERS OF MINE CAN SPOT AN INKLING OF DANGER SEVERAL BLOCKS AWAY!

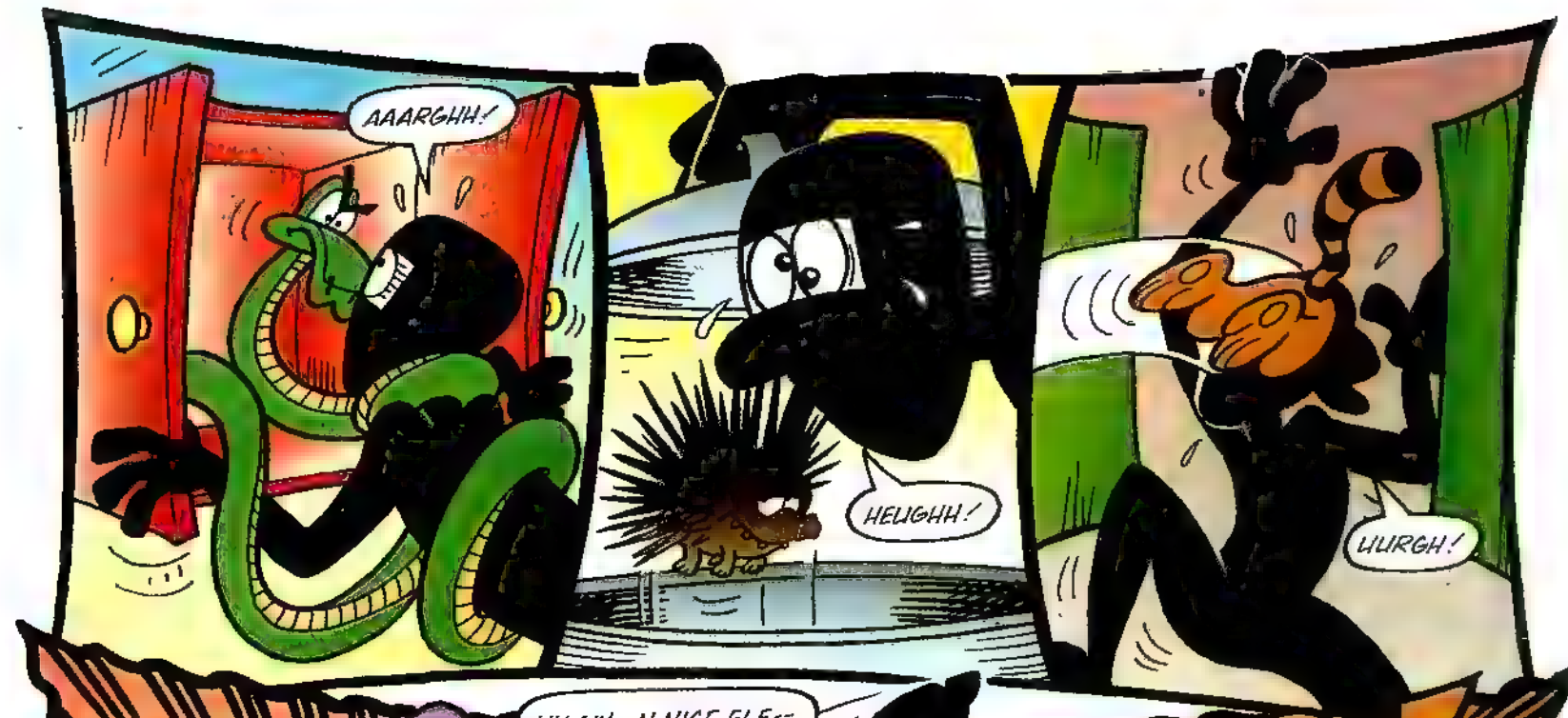
WHATEVER YOU SAY, ACE MAN

BY THE WAY, YOU STEPPED IN AN ELEPHANT-SIZED HEAP OF POOP!

GAK!

THWUMPH!
KRRACK!
BOOOM!

OH, BLIBBER! VENTURA MUST BE SOMEPLACE ELSE...





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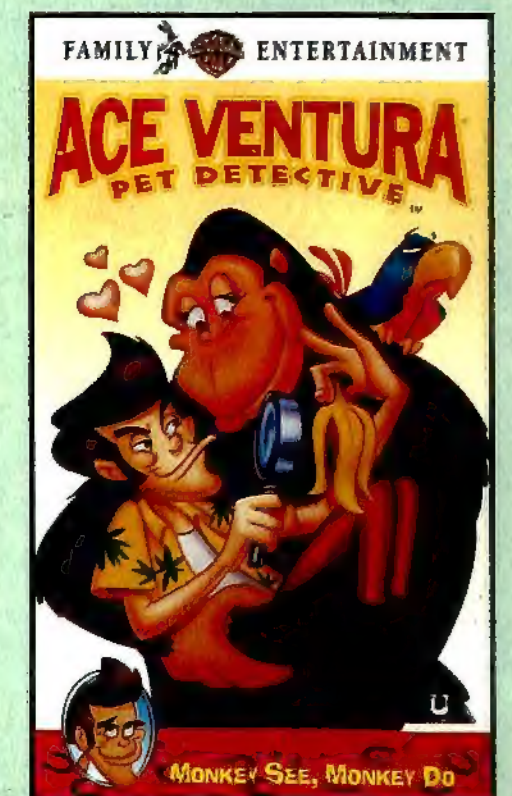
That's right! You've seen them on telly, you've read the reviews, now you'll be clambering to get Ace Ventura's latest, red-hot, rib-tickling, animated video releases...

WIN! 100 Double volume video sets!

Warner Home Video are giving away 100 'Ace Ventura: The Animated Series' video sets each containing a copy of Basic-In-Stink-T and Monkey See, Monkey Do.



Fun-filled double bill: Hound of the D'Urbervilles & Big Stink.



Twin cheek: Night of the Gorilla & The Parrot Who Knew Too Much.

The world's most wild and wacky pet detective goes on the trail of a whole host of villainous loo-000-ooo-oo-sers. From evil cosmetics queen Odora, to failed animal trainers, Uwe and Roy, there are plenty of baddies to jeer at! On the cheerier side, Ace's ever faithful capuchin chum, Spike, is on hand and so too is that far out hippie man, Woodstock. The Ace Ventura: Animated Series will have you howling with laughter!

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Beware! Animals can be cool company but not all the time! Here are some tell-tail signs to look out for – take cover!

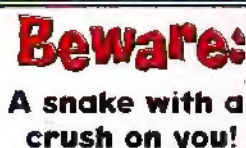
Beware! Animals can be cool company but not all the time! Here are some tell-tail signs to look out for – take cover!



Beware:
A seagull
laughing in
anticipation!

Beware:
An elephant
sneezing!

Beware:
A cow looking guilty!



SNAP!
CRACKLE!
POP!

Beware:
A hyperactive
woodpecker!



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PET PASTIME

Dear Ace-man,

I am your biggest fan! I've seen your movies 50 times in two months. My hair sticks up at the front like yours and people at school say I look like you. My least favourite lesson is Physical Education. I keep saying to myself in a few hours time, I can sit at home with my 53 pets.

Robert Cox, Kings Heath, B'ham.

A spot of sport at school is good for you - so stick with it, Rob. As for your house full of animals, are you sure you don't live in a zoo?



A CASE OF BEING CAUGHT SHORT!



Christopher Kelso, Ayrshire, Scotland.

SPIKE AND SEEK?



Niall Midwinter, Gwynedd, N Wales.

TOYING WITH THE IDEA...

Dear Ace,

I want to see some Ace Ventura toys in the shops. It would be great to have a mini version of you - complete with clip on I-D card, removable sunglasses plus Spike, too! There could also be 'extras' like your car with thick rubber tyres and a smashed windscreen.

Robert Cheeshire, Swindon, Wiltshire.

I'm game for that, Robbo! I could even have a whole wardrobe of disguises, from a pink fluffy tutu to a slinky pair of lederhosen, alrighty! As for my driving, no comment...



IDENTIFY YOURSELF!

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Age: _____

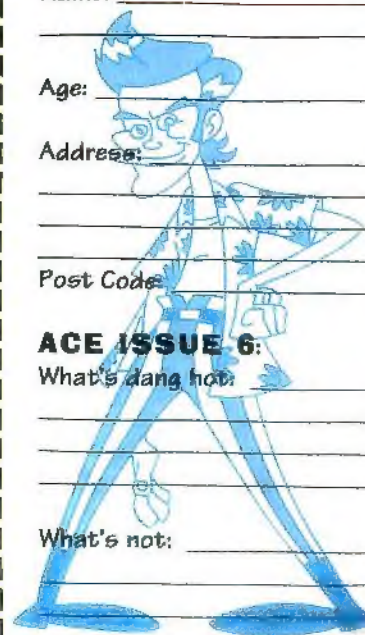
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ACE ISSUE 6:

What's dang hot:

What's not:



'Tee puzzle solution...



Ace calls to the wildebeest to make a can-gum! He'll then use the oil drum and paddle to get across to the other side. Can-some, huh?



EYE SPY!



Gee, I get a
spooky ooky
feeling I'm being
watched...



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